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re: Your letter of February 10, 2004 / MUR 5406

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Your letter was received by me approximately February 14, 2004.

I currently do not intend to be represented by counsel in this matter.

The purpose of this letter is to demonstrate that no action should be taken against me in response to the above complaint and to ask that I be dismissed from such complaint.

On the face of the complaint, I have nothing to do with the allegations and should be immediately released from this proceeding

Please consider:

1. I am not an elected official, nor have I been at any time during the period mentioned in these allegations.
2. I do not currently have a political committee, nor do I control, nor am I involved in the administration of any political committee. This statement holds true for the entire period of time mentioned in the complaint.
3. My wife and I made a personal contribution of \$500 from our personal checking account to the Committee Dan Hynes for Senate, something perfectly legal. There is no factual support in the complaint that we did anything illegal.

4. The Alleged Violations: paragraphs 19-26, have nothing to do with me or our personal \$500 contribution.

5. Paragraph 19 sets forth the alleged "illegal contributions." Our personal check has nothing to do with the allegations of paragraph 19 (which deal with an alleged scheme to "money launder" between political committees) and the complaint does not explain in any way how my personal contribution is "illegal."

This complaint as an abuse of your process, insofar as it names me – a private individual - for making a legal, personal, political contribution to someone I have the right to support and contribute to.

I respectfully request immediate and official release from this proceeding, and hope to hear from you in that regard.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "C Bernardini".

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